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Sir:

## **STATUS INQUIRY**

According to our records, the above-identified application was filed on April 7, 1999. A Reply to Office Action was filed on December 6, 2004 in response to the June 4, 2004 Office Action, the last communication received from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

In view of these circumstances, the undersigned attorney respectfully requests that the Office advise him of the status of this application as soon as possible in order to determine whether further action by the applicant is required at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

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